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MARRIAGE.

On January 31st, at Dhobi Throop, India, JOHN LATHAM BOUR, Major 1st Batt. 1st Prince of Wales' Own Gurkha Rifles, second son of Mr. George Rose, Inverness, N.B.; to CONSTANCE JANET, eldest daughter of the late Mr. Rhodriod McNeil Augus Campbell and Mrs. Campbell, Shanghai, China.

DEATHS.

On February 27th, at Shanghai, P. L. SWANSON, late of H.B.M.'s Post Office, Shanghai, aged 22 years.

On February 27th, at Shanghai, BRENAN ATKINSON, aged 41 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 6TH, 1907.

Mr. HUON CLIFFORD, whose name has been made more familiar in Hongkong lately by his promotion to Ceylon, wrote for *Macmillan's Magazine* an article discussing and criticizing the American policy in the Philippines. Manila Americans do not seem to have appreciated the article. Mr. CLIFFORD's view was that it was foolish of the people of the United States to attempt or hope to establish among a Malay people a republican form of government, with republican ideals. He declared that the Americans in the Philippines were "chasing a phantom hope which flew in the face of all experience, and that the end must be defeat and disaster." He further expressed the opinion that the only reasonable policy in such a place and with such conditions would be to hold and administer the country as a Colony pure and simple. One American critic of the article admits that this would be easier to do than what they are attempting, by which we feel inclined to read that he means also it would be more expedient and practicable; but there are reasons why he should denounce and repudiate the

CLIFFORD system of governing Malays. These reasons are, as we shall try to indicate, mainly of the nature of shibboleths; but first it is convenient to point out how much handicapped is the impartial and unbiased mind that seeks to contemplate such a question. It is so much more easy to side either with Mr. Huon CLIFFORD or with the *Manila Times*, because the really impartial outlook, as exemplified in the case of a student of history in the broad mass, cannot but be academic and unsatisfactory. It is easier to be a partisan than a philosopher, and the former is always more popular. The first aspect of such a discussion that meets the mental eye of a student of history familiar with the effects and non-effects of the contact of civilization and barbarism, of ideals and practices, evokes memories of the school laboratory. Those chemical experiments that occasionally would "come out right" nearly always made a stink, and sometimes nearly blow up the enthusiastic "messers," as his less scientific contemporaries called him. The same may be said of most efforts, consciously directed, to civilize a people of vastly different constitution to the volunteer reformers. The experiments in China have met with both smells and explosions, and no fusion can be said to have so far "come out right". So with India and Africa, and tell it not in the *Manila Times* — with America, Mr. Huon CLIFFORD and his kind are "messers," as are the American flaunters of "the inalienable rights of man," only in a less degree. To none of them does success come as it is dreamed of. But on the whole—and if this be partisanship, we cannot help it—we are inclined to think that Mr. Huon CLIFFORD has a better case than his critics have. The *Manila Times* particularly, makes answer in a manner fatally susceptible to analysis. To follow the advice of British critics of American administration in the Philippines "we would need," urges that journal, "to renounce our traditions, strangle our Constitution, and do violence to every political principle fundamental in our national life." But yes, and has that never been done? In America the tradition that all men were created equal was renounced some time ago; at least, so the Chinese and Negroes tell us. In America the Constitution is often strangled, so good Americans have declared. And in America, fundamental politics have suffered violence frequently, unless American newspapers do lie. Hence there is something strongly unconvinced in passages such as this:

"We are not yet ready to desert all those glorious doctrines embodied in our Constitution and our Declaration of Independence, or to forego that divine principle blazoned forth in the torch of the Goddess of Liberty. In bolder phrase, the tail is not big enough to wag the dog. We are not prepared to let the Philippines run the United States, and even at the risk of making a failure of our experiment in grafting a republican form of government on an oriental people, we shall still hold fast to our heritage and history as a nation and to those principles of popular government of which we are the foremost exponents. We are not yet ready to assassinate the sublime injunction imposed upon us to that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

That sort of thing sounds fine; but, as our cousins say, "it cuts no ice." If that blessed formula "government of, by, and for the people" means anything, it means that every distinct people shall follow its own preferences, and the fundamental policy of America, as modernly illustrated, is to interfere like other Imperialistic nations with national preferences. Though this unctuous critic does not realize it, it is in essence less tyrannical-to-conquer-and rule a people than to conquer and force a people to rule themselves on the conqueror's pattern. One is injury; the other is injury plus insult. It is transparent hypocrisy to say to any people, "we being kind and tolerant, will leave you to rule yourselves as soon as you show signs of knowing how to do so in our way." Manhood is less degraded when told "we, being stronger, mean to rule you as we think best for us and you." There seems less shame in being shown that one's physique is inadequate than in being told that one's intellect is inferior. This is the point of view that sent the martyrs to their deaths. It scarcely needs proving. The *Manila Times* cited India, with its "people sullen and discontented," as a proof that Mr. Huon CLIFFORD's opinion was wrong, so it is not unfair to point to America to show that the Constitution is waste-paper preserved only by few sentimentalists, and that its equality and inalienable rights are much disregarded in the average pulpit oration. If the Philippines Republic of the future is no greater success than that of the United States, as viewed from the platform of the lovers of truth and liberty, then the

less hustling "messers," who have been satisfied to retain monarchies and other old-fashioned things and ways, need never feel chagrin for their own backwardness. If none preached Buddhism but those who have become Mahatmas, the unregenerate would be saved a good deal of worldly nuisance. The people with the noblest Constitution in the world are like others less gifted, still wandering through an imperfect world of illusion and disappointment. Utopia is not yet, not even in the wide area between San Francisco and New York. We miss it less, however, in the places where it is not the subject of so much cant and ranting. Wise Americans like Mr. T. L. CLEMENS do not grieve over the failure to achieve the ideal. That was only to be expected. They do, however, blush for their compatriots who persist in calling outside attention to it by their Peckinian protestations.

We have received the calendar of the Hongkong College of Medicine for 1907. The long session opened on the 4th inst., to end on July 27th. The examinations begin in August.

Captain C. V. Lloyd, who for many years commanded the river steamer *Hawke* which was destroyed by fire during his absence at Home on leave, has been given the command of the *Fates*.

A correspondent asks us to call the attention of the Sanitary Board to an alleged nuisance caused by defective drains in some property behind the Wesleyan Chapel at Wan Chai. Doubtless this will secure the investigation desired, but if not, "Public Health" should write direct to the Board.

Under the heading "Boudoir Secrets," the *Five Lance* gives this "recipe":—"An Excellent Wash for the Mouth is made by dissolving 12 drachms of three-stardomine of cognac in 1 gill of common soda-water. At the last moment add 2 drachms of three-stardomine of cognac. Ice to taste, drink while fizzing, and have another."

A Chinese Imperial Decree dated February 25th says:—"We have received a memorial from Chou Fu, Viceroy of the two Kwang provinces, reporting the illness of Liu Yung-fu, Major-General commanding the Military Circuit of Shihchi, province of Kwangtung, and asking that he be permitted to resign his post. The request is granted and Pan Shyu is appointed Major-General of the above named Circuit.

Lui Ching-tseng of Toko Island has been prospering in the liquor traffic of late, but on Monday the police raided his shop and secured seven large sampan jars, three of which were full of wine. Lui was charged before Mr. Melbourne at the Police Court yesterday with selling sampan without a licence, found guilty and fined \$50, the alternative being three months' imprisonment.

Miss Helen Terry must have set the Western world "by their ears" when she left England for America on January 12th. Before the ship cleared the pier she was interviewed and said:—"I expect to remain three months. This will not be my farewell tour, as I intend to revisit America frequently. We will not leave the civilized part of America on the present tour—that is, we will go no farther west than Chicago or farther south than Washington."

The fire brigade responded to an alarm of fire at about 7.30 o'clock yesterday morning from No. 226 Des Vœux Road Central. The outbreak was found to be on the verandah of the second floor of the house, where a quantity of camum and matting was stored, and is said to have occurred through one of the inmates throwing a lighted cigarette on the matting. Little damage was done, however, and after half an hour's work the firemen were able to leave the scene.

An amendment to the address to the throne brought forward in the House of Commons suggesting that the British Colonies should bear a larger share of Imperial defence gave Mr. Balfour an opportunity to deliver a speech couched on the loftiest plane. He urged the impossibility of a strict debtor or creditor account between the Motherland and her Colonies, which glory in the support of the empire. Mr. Balfour preferred voluntary assistance from the Colonies in emergencies, as a nation and to those principles of popular government of which we are the foremost exponents. We are not yet ready to assassinate the sublime injunction imposed upon us to that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

Perhaps there are some here who will be able to draw a moral from a sermon preached by Canon Barnett at Westminster Abbey a month ago, says the *China Critic*. Many persons, he said, had set up in their minds the image of business to which they bowed down and worshipped. They often behaved generously, and in their private relations were most humane, but in business and in their public relations they were sometimes harsh and often cruel. They said that business was hard a master that it killed philanthropy. They might be reaping advantage from a concern which involved suffering to others, but they excused themselves on the same grounds as the man who said he could not be held responsible for men's drunkenness in a community where public houses were permitted.

Moral thoughtfulness, Canon Barnett said, would humanise all relations between employer and employee. The employer would consider the wages he paid, the condition of the workshops in which the work was done, and the hours of labour enforced, while on the other hand, the employed would do their best for their masters without supervision. They would treat each other with courtesy.

The Russian authorities have transferred to the Japanese Red Cross Association the whole of the buildings and the land used by them for hospital purposes during the siege of Port Arthur. On the 10th ult. the ceremony of opening the institution took place, and is said to have been a very brilliant affair. Over three hundred local members of the Society have been enrolled. This is certainly a most gracious act on the part of Russia, says the *Japan Mail*; it deserves to be loudly commended.

We elsewhere announce the death at Shanghai on February 27th of Mr. Branigan Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson, who had been ill for some time, was forty-one years of age. His father Mr. John Atkinson had charge of the Loong wha Powder Mills some thirty years ago. The deceased gentleman started his career as an architect and civil engineer about twenty years ago, when he joined Mr. Thomas Kingsmill. In 1894 he started business on his own account, being joined four years later by Mr. Arthur Dallas. Messrs. Atkinson and Dallas soon became one of the best known firms of architects in the Far East. Mr. Atkinson leaves a widow and several children, with whom deep sympathy will be felt by his large circle of friends. He was a prominent Mason.

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One of the most successful reproductions in the extensive repertoire of the Bandmann Comedy Company is undoubtedly J. M. Barrie's "Admirable Crichton." As performed last night, it was an artistic success, in which the chief part was taken by Mr. Claudio King with his accustomed excellence. The piece was an interesting study, admirably played, and the audience was untroubled in its appreciation. H.E. the Governor, the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, and Sir Nathaniel Nathan were present.

THE STRANDED "HONGKONG."

Yesterday afternoon Captain Groves returned to port from the wreck of the s.s. *Hongkong* near Haian Head. The captain left for the scene of the wreck on the French cruiser *Alger* on February 26th and reports that on arrival there was a gale of wind and very thick weather. The cruiser first passed the scene of the wreck and went to Holow where information was gained that the ship was intact. At Holow junks were engaged and towed to a safe anchorage eight miles from the position of the stranded steamer where the salvage gear was discharged into lighters. When the steamer *Hastair* arrived on the scene the French cruiser ceased operations after discharging the salvage gear provided by the Dock Co. The wrecked steamer appears to be perfectly upright, but the heavy weather prevailing has washed her higher on the beach, and unless more favourable circumstances prevail, prospects of refloating her are remote.

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(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

March 3rd.
OFFICIAL APPOINTMENT.

Local authorities received cablegrams from Peking stating that Fu Ching (Manchu) has been appointed Lieutenant General of the Manchu Army of Kwangtung. He is expected to arrive here in a fortnight. There have also been two Lieutenant-Generals in the Manchu Army here.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY SHARES.

Tao Tai Wen-Cho-Tso, Director of the Chinese Imperial Telegraph Office in Hongkong, has been authorized by His Excellency Chou Fu to invite the Chinese merchants in Hongkong to subscribe for shares of the Kowloon-Canton Railway Company. Wen Tao Tai left for your port yesterday.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.

I reported to you in a previous letter that the local engineer, Chan Lun Tai, who contracted with the Chinese Government for the reclamation of the Ho Pak new land had failed to carry out his contract in a satisfactory manner in consequence of which failure the authorities seized all his properties. The contractor was afterwards arrested and imprisoned. It is now reported that after investigation of the accounts it was discovered that a sum of over \$200,000 had been paid to the contractor for work which was badly done and not in accordance with the specifications attached to the contract. The Government has terminated the contract and will imprison the contractor until the amount is paid up. Owing to this, the reclamation work was stopped. It is said that a foreign Consul-General here recommended Messrs. Purcell and Fagot to the Chinese Government to take up the contract and complete the work. Mr. W. Daub, who is reported to have obtained the contract for the building of the bridge here, will probably succeed in obtaining the contract for the reclamation of the Ho Pak land, which is also a gigantic piece of work. The Chinese people here are pleased to hear that these large contracts will all be in the hands of European architects and trust that sound material and good workmanship will result. Completion at an early date is anticipated.

NO HOLIDAYS.

It is rather surprising to hear that the officials and employees of the gun and powder factory had no New Year holidays this year. It appears that the Government had arranged a new equipment of firms arms on all the gunboats, and instructions were given on the 27th day of the 12th moon to retain all the labourers and give them double pay. The work has not been completed yet.

POLITICS IN JAPAN.

TOKYO, February 26th.

A Parliamentary crisis seems inevitable.

Count Kataura (the 1st Premier) declares that the Opposition will oppose such an imprudent measure as the County System Bill, to introduce which advantage had been taken of the national unity required to carry through the post-bellum programme.

DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS.

TOKYO, February 26th.

Mr. Uchida, lately Minister at Peking, has been appointed Ambassador to Vienna.

Mr. T. Kohira, lately Minister at Washington, has been appointed Ambassador at Rome.

TELEGRAMS.

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ALLEGED LARCENY OF TOBACCOES.

C. H. Kane, shipping clerk, and Ho Kwai, tallyman, were arraigned on charges of stealing 100 cases of "Egyptian Delight" tobacco valued at \$750; four cases of "Three Castles" cigarettes valued at \$1,700; and one case of "Pirate" cigarettes valued at \$175, the property of the British American Tobacco Co.

Mr. M. J. D. Stephens prosecuted, Mr. J. H. Gardner (of Mr. O. D. Thomson's office) appeared for the first defendant, Mr. R. Harding for the second defendant, while Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Goldring and Barclay) watched the proceedings on behalf of others concerned.

Mr. A. Harrison, manager of the Hongkong branch of the British American Tobacco Co., stated that the Company had a godown at No. 6 Cross Lane, Wan Chai. The keeper of this godown had since abandoned. On February 28th witness did not issue any order for four cases of "Three Castles" cigarettes seized by the police formed part of a case of twelve which arrived here two or three years ago. No part of that shipment had been sold and the twelve cases were still intact in the Company's books. Witness handed the first defendant a delivery order for 100 cases of "Egyptian Delight" tobacco on the Hongkong Wharf and Godown Co. and told him to pass such order on the second defendant with instructions to transport the goods to West Point. The first defendant was further instructed to fix a time with the second for the burning of this tobacco, and that he was to remain there until the tobacco was burned. Such brands of tobacco were never sold in South China or the Philippines by the British American Tobacco Co., but were always destroyed. The first defendant returned at 5 p.m. on the evening of the day when such instructions were issued, and said he had seen the tobacco burned, and a bill was duly presented by the second defendant for the cost of petroleum said to have been used in the burning of the tobacco.

After further evidence was heard regarding the brands of exhibits the case was adjourned.

"DAKOTA" A TOTAL LOSS.

STRANGE STORY BY EYE-WITNESS.

TOKYO, March 5th.

The s.s. *Dakota* is now regarded as a total loss. The crew and the mails have been landed. The captain of a Japanese steamer following the *Dakota* says that at the time she struck that afternoon the weather was fine, and he was much surprised by the course taken by the liner. He was watching her when she struck the reef, and saw her plunge over until her bow was submerged and her stern high in the air. It is admitted that that part of the coast is dangerous to shipping. It has been the scene of two previous disasters.

LATER.

The *Dakota*'s passengers have arrived at Yokohama.

[AUTUMN'S SERVICE.]

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, March 3rd.

The Lower House of California has passed a Bill precluding aliens from holding land in California for upwards of five years.

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

LONDON, March 3rd.

Towns has defeated Durham in the sculling championship, by two lengths.

THE WRECK OF THE "JEAN BART."

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held on Tuesday afternoon at the Board Room. The Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson (president) presided, and there were also present Dr. F. Clark, Medical Officer of Health, Hon. Mr. A. W. Irwin (Registrar-General), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badley (Captain-Superintendent of Police), Dr. H. MacFarlane, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, Lieut. Colonel Reid, R.A.M.C., Mr. H. Humphreys, Mr. S. Hooper, Mr. Lau Chu-pak, Mr. Fung Wa-chun, and Mr. G. A. Woodcock (secretary).

NEW MARKET AT KOWLOON POINT.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL laid before the Board a minute which read: I find that in October 1906, the Government promised to provide a scheme for providing a market at Kowloon Point for the sale of European food. The non-Chinese population of the Kowloon peninsula was then 595; it is now 2,245. In 1901 the European population was 688; it is now 1,467. I should like these facts brought to the notice of the Board.

The PRESIDENT—This was brought up before the Board at last meeting, when consideration was postponed. It originated in a minute from the Registrar-General.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL moved that the attention of the Government be drawn to the matter, and that it be asked to make provision in next year's estimates for a market at Kowloon Point.

The CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

PROPOSED FUJINER CEMETERY.

Correspondence was laid before members regarding the proposed cemetery for Fujinero at Kowloon City.

The PRESIDENT—The papers have been circulated, and members will recollect that two sites were proposed, one consisting of .48 of an acre and the other of .97 of an acre. The Surveyor minutes that these places are to the north-west of the rifle range, the first, which is almost an acre in extent, being on the hillsides and terraced. He thought both sites suitable for the purpose, but suggests that the smaller should be used for a Fujinero cemetery as the Fujineros are but a small community. The Medical Officer of Health agrees with the suggestion, and I move that the Board recommend the Governor-in-Council to allocate this lot as a cemetery.

Mr. LAU CHU-PAK seconded.

Mr. HOOPER—If members read my minute they will see I am quite in agreement with the motion, providing the land is handed over to the Government, and the cemetery subject to Sanitary Board regulations.

The PRESIDENT—it will be conducted in accordance with the Ordinance.

Mr. HOOPER—No.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL—Do they need to hand it over to the Government?

Mr. HOOPER—I think they should. The Commission is reporting on cemeteries in general and their administration, and we found that there were many cemeteries over which we had no jurisdiction, except from a sanitary point of view.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL—I think Mr. Hooper cannot have read the letter. The applicant states that it is his intention to give it up as a donation for the use of his countrymen as a cemetery.

Mr. HOOPER—Yes, I know, but does he surrender it up to the Government?

The PRESIDENT—He goes on to say—"It is from a sanitary point of view the site is not suitable. I am prepared to surrender it to the Crown in exchange for a suitable site," so I think he is prepared to hand it over to the Government.

Mr. HOOPER—I am quite satisfied if that is so.

The PRESIDENT—I move that this offer be accepted on the understanding that this cemetery comes within the scope of the Chinese Cemetery by-laws.

Mr. HOOPER—That is what I mean, but I think the donor does not want fees charged on the ground that he is presenting the cemetery to his own people.

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH—See section A of the said schedule is free.

Mr. LAU CHU-PAK—Before granting this application I think the Registrar-General should see this man and ascertain his views.

Members concurred.

MORE WELLS.

Correspondence was submitted relative to the wells in the back yards of certain houses in Lower Batter Street.

Mr. Hooper stated, before the subject was broached, that he had given credit to have the wells filled up, but his engineer pointed out that there were pools on Crown Land below Batter Street and if the wells were closed the tenants would go to these pools for water. This water was used largely for potable purposes and for making food to supply those who go to the theatre close by.

The PRESIDENT—That settles it then.

CEILINGS OF EATING HOUSES.

Correspondence was submitted relative to the removal of ceilings in eating houses.

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH informed that the application before the Board was for a new licence which he recommended should not be issued until the ceilings of the houses were removed. As explained in a previous paper, the objection to ceilings was that they harboured rats, and this applied more forcibly in the case of eating houses as there was so much food lying about.

Mr. LAU CHU-PAK—The Board has no power to compel people to remove ceilings where no plague cases have occurred. In a business of this kind ceilings are most necessary, as they make the shop attractive and prevent dust and dirt from falling on the food on a lower floor from an upper floor. Chinese floors, before the existing Public Health and Building Ordinance was enacted, were so peculiarly constructed that it would be impossible to keep dust and dirt from falling through without ceiling. It is a hardship on the class of shopkeepers to impose such a condition that suggested by the Medical Officer of Health.

The ceilings are the owner's property, which it is absurd to call upon the tenant to remove. It is just the same as taking the apartment that unless he destroys and pays for certain property belonging to his landlord, he cannot be allowed to trade in the Colony. I don't see any difference between the case of removal and that of new licences. The licensing of the Government should be adhered to as no ceilings have been in existence all these years.

Mr. HUMPHREYS—if the Board has no power, as Mr. Lau Chu-pak contends, there is no need for discussion, but if it has I am not in favour of forcing the tenant to remove these ceilings.

Mr. FUNG WA-CHUN—I am not in favour of these ceilings being removed.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL—These houses are leased by the Colonial Secretary, and all we are asked to do here is to give the Colonial Secretary the opinion of the Board on the subject. It has already been decided in the case of houses that the Colonial Secretary does not feel called upon to ask licences to pull down ceilings, and we might add that in the opinion of the Board it is undesirable to ask these who apply for licences to remove ceilings.

The PRESIDENT—It is a recommendation by the Medical Officer of Health as a plague prevention measure.

Mr. HUMPHREYS—Will the tenant get any compensation for the ceilings that have been removed?

The PRESIDENT—Yes.

The CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE—Have more rats been found in these houses than ordinary houses?

The MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH—Rats are very frequently found in these eating houses.

Mr. HOOPER—Curious!

The PRESIDENT—Compensation, I understand, is not given in these cases. There can be no doubt that if a plague-infested rat did get into the floor above the ceiling in all probability the food might be contaminated. That being so we cannot do other than agree with the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, but it is for the Board to recommend compensation for the ceiling being removed as a plague preventive measure. I move that the Board recommend that the license be not issued until the ceilings are removed, and that compensation be paid when they are.

The motion was carried.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL moved an amendment that the Colonial Secretary be asked to consider applications for new licences in the same way as it has been decided to treat applications for renewals of licences.

Mr. FUNG WA-CHUN seconded and the motion was carried.

MORE MODIFICATIONS.

Correspondence was submitted relative to a modification of the requirements of sections 153 and 180 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 in respect of the house on Kowloon Island Lot No. 1,186 (Argyle Street, Ho Man Tin).

Mr. LAU CHU-PAK minute—This is practically a plan of the type of house, with slight modifications, which the Chinese build in their own villages. It is certainly better lighted and ventilated than the Chinese buildings we have now amongst us.

The REGISTRAR-GENERAL—Before the Board passes an opinion on these plans they ought to be referred to a committee to consider whether they will be acceptable to the Chinese, or whether any modifications are required to make them more acceptable.

The Medical Officer of Health, the Registrar General and Mr. Hooper were appointed a sub-committee to consider the matter.

EXCELLENT WATER.

Mr. Frank Browne's analysis of samples of water taken from various sources of the Government supply show that it is of excellent quality.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

At a death rate per 1,000 per annum, the mortality statistics of the whole Colony for the week ended February 16th show a percentage of 30.2 against 16.1 for the corresponding week last year.

The PRESIDENT remarked that these statistics were made up from the new census returns.

BAPTISM.

Of the 629 rats caught in the Colony during the week ending March 2nd, not one was infected. Returns for 1906 show a capture of 30,701 rats, of which 679 were infected.

Mr. HOOPER AND THE SANITARY SURVEYOR.—Re the drainage of Ko Shing Street, Mr. Jackson in reply to Mr. Hooper's criticism wrote to the Board stating that he was unaware of the position of the storm water drain when he approved Messrs. Leigh and Orange's plan, or he would have notified them. But he strongly emphasised the fact that it was not part of the duties of the sanitary surveyor to verify anything in a plan submitted to ascertain whether the proposals it contained were feasible or not. It was only his duty to see whether a proposal complied with the requirements laid down in the Ordinance, and to approve it if so complying. Moreover, the Ordinance specifically threw the responsibility entirely on the architect (section 229). Mr. Jackson then referred to section 3 of Drainage Bye-laws, and wished to point out, part partly from the official objections, that to accept the responsibility of being answerable for any proposal sent in would be impossible. In addition to storm water drains and sewers which were found on such comparative levels as to make the passing of either water or over the other an impossibility, the gas and water mains often presented the same chafes and neither were safe in any town in Great Britain were the comparative levels of other drains, sewers and mains kept with such accuracy as to make it possible. The practice here was the same as at home, and architects were given every information possible on application, and they were also given every opportunity by permission for opening to obtain such information as is necessary for submitting a plan which can be submitted for examination. A will must be registered in the Land Office, which might never be admitted to probate. I doubt however whether the Land Officer would be justified in registering a will unless probate had been granted, because he would be putting on the register a person who by law has no title. This at once indicates one of the reasons why the law should be construed strictly according to the words used in it. On the other hand I must note that the Ordinance only provides for the registration of a "memorial," that is of certain particulars of the will, verified by affidavit; and there is nothing that I can see which compels the production of the will itself in the Land Office, though I have no doubt that the Land Officer would not be justified in registering a memorial of a will until the probate had been produced, the registration of a will deposited in the Registry of Probate is therefore possible; and this really dispenses of the first point, for if the Ordinance can be complied with, it is unnecessary to substitute "probate" for will in the Ordinance. Secondly: Whether, in spite of the provisions of the Probate Law, wills affecting leases must be registered in order to obtain the benefits of the Ordinance. With regard to the second point I have been much perplexed by the fact that an Executor's first duty is to deposit the will in the Registry of the Supreme Court for purposes of Probate, and that thereafter the Registrar cannot part with the original will. It would seem therefore, if this were the proper construction of the Ordinance, as if the Executor was bound to call in at the Land Office to register the will on his way to the Registry of the Court. But if this were to be the practice, all sorts of difficulties might arise to take priority according to their dates of registration. The question I have to decide are—1st. Whether probates of wills affecting leases must be registered in order to obtain the benefits of the Ordinance; in other words, whether I am justified in substituting probate for wills in the Ordinance. Secondly: Whether, in spite of the new ground of defence, on which they are entitled to succeed if it is a good defence. 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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the CITY HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th March, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 29th March, both days inclusive.

EDWARD ORBONE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

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1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association viz.—

(a) The words "person for the time being in charge of the business" to be inserted between the word "Manager" and the word "or" in the 4th line of Article No. 60.

(b) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the second line of Article No. 70 down to and including the words "so long" in the third line of Article No. 71 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., if willing to act or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong if willing to act" be inserted instead.

(c) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the first line of Article No. 71 down to and including the words "so long" in the third line of Article No. 71 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., if willing to act or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall so long" be inserted instead.

(d) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "or" in the second line of Article No. 78.

(e) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "or" in the first line of S. 5 of Article No. 82.

2. That the above Resolution making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including the 1st day of May, 1907.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required Majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1907.

By Order,

E. OSBORNE, Secretary.

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I have This Day authorised My CURMALLY HASSUM to Sign my Firm.

E. PABANEY.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

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M. HERBERT RICHARD BUDD HANCOCK is This Day authorised to SIGN the name of our Firm.

SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1907.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned at 11 A.M., TOMORROW (THURSDAY), 7th March.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1907.

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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1907.

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th March, 1907, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ending 31st December, 1906.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 29th March, both days inclusive.

EDWARD ORBONE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

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THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the CITY HALL, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of March, 1907, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the aforesaid resolutions will be proposed.

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association viz.—

(a) The words "person for the time being in charge of the business" to be inserted between the word "Manager" and the word "or" in the 4th line of Article No. 60.

(b) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the second line of Article No. 70 down to and including the words "so long" in the third line of Article No. 71 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., if willing to act or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall so long" be inserted instead.

(c) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the first line of Article No. 71 down to and including the words "so long" in the third line of Article No. 71 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., if willing to act or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall so long" be inserted instead.

(d) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "or" in the second line of Article No. 78.

(e) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "or" in the first line of S. 5 of Article No. 82.

Dated at Victoria, Hongkong, the 1st day of March, 1907.

By Order,

E. OSBORNE, Secretary.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 5th March, 1907.

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CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. COMPANY

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

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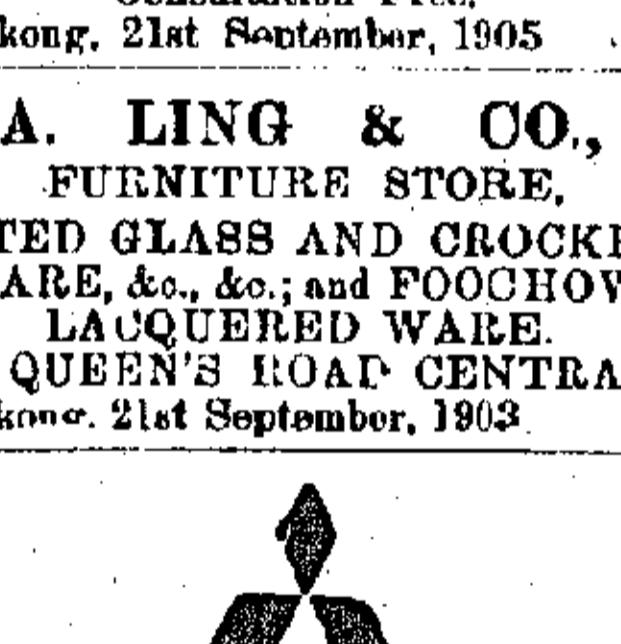
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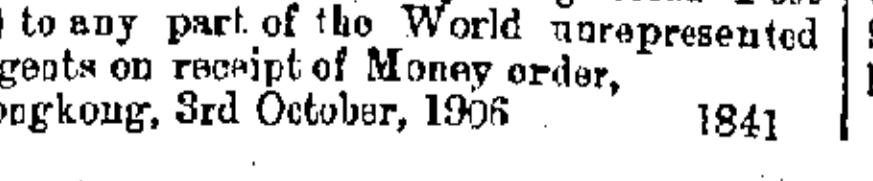
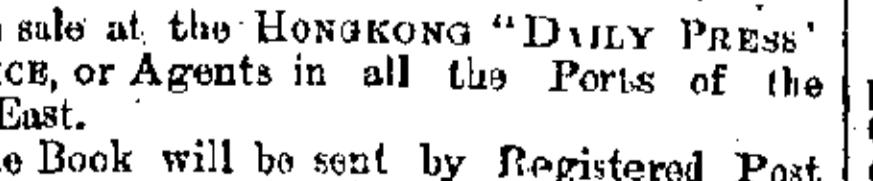
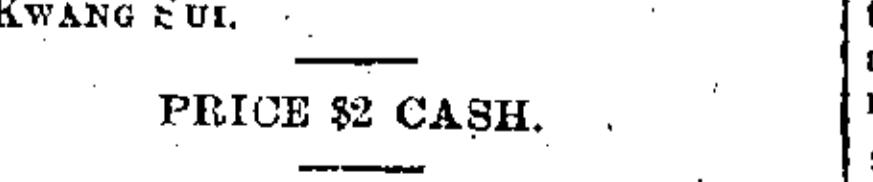
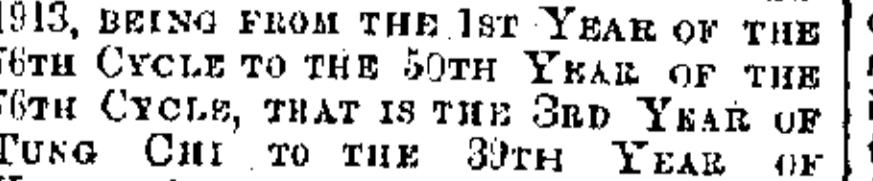
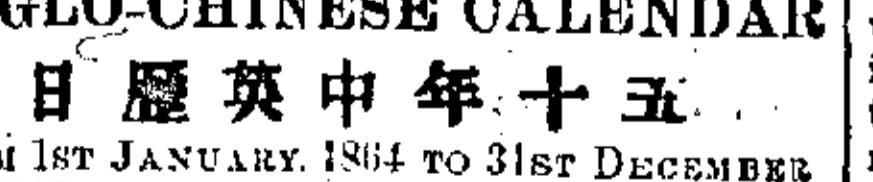
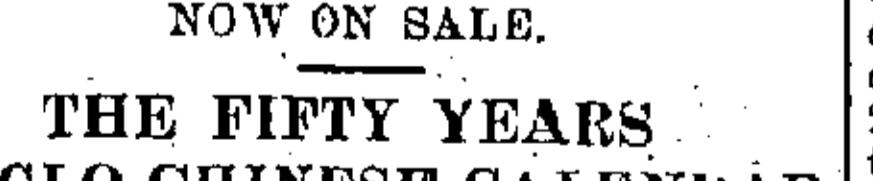
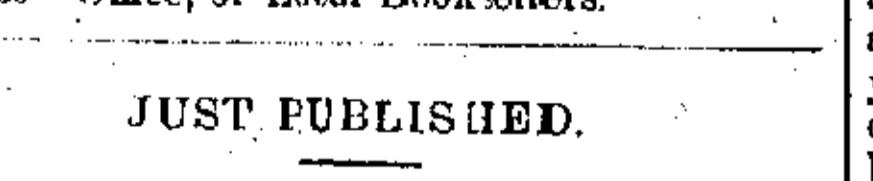
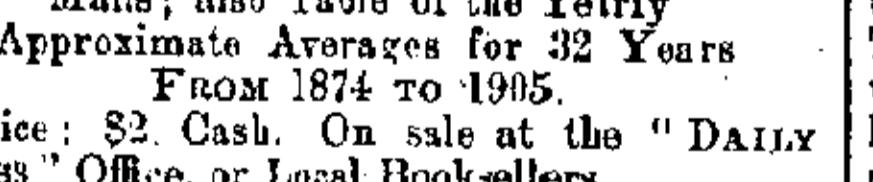
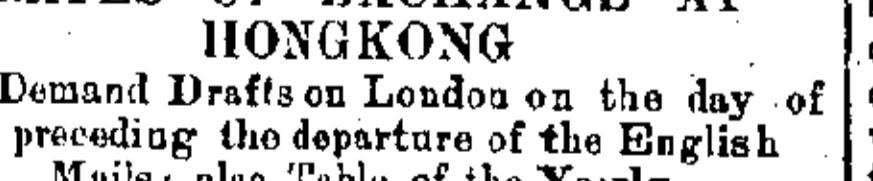
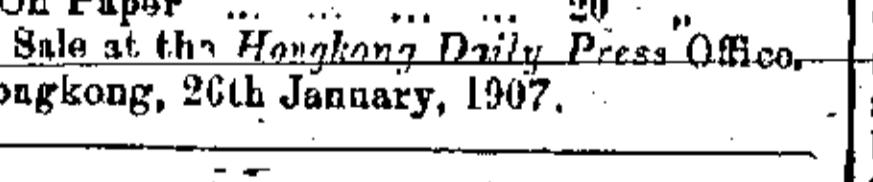
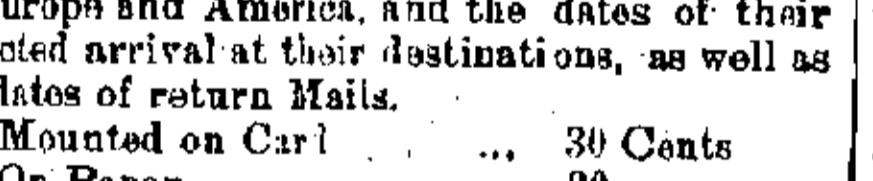
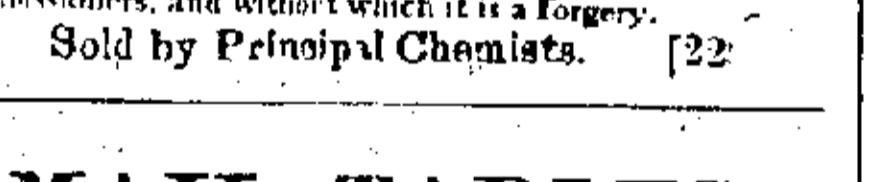
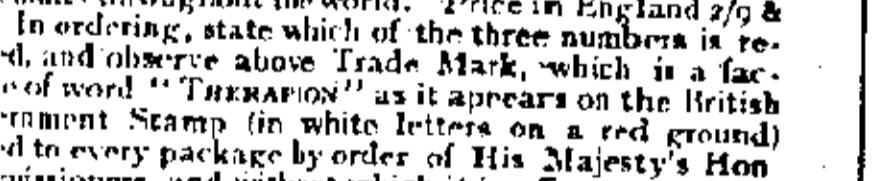
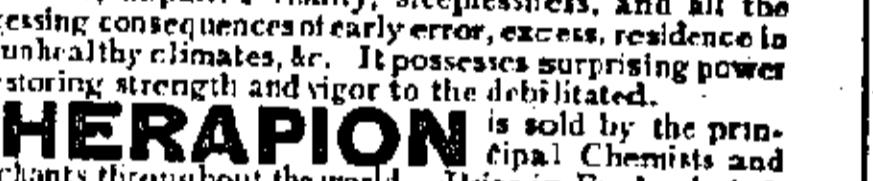
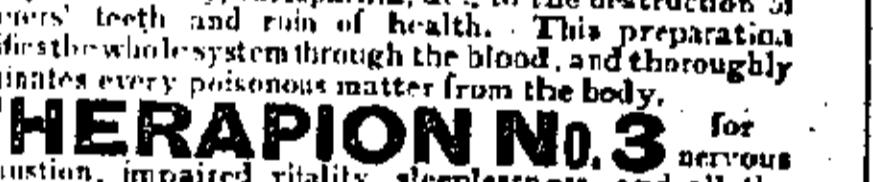
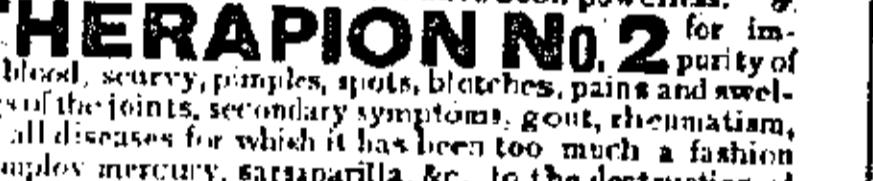
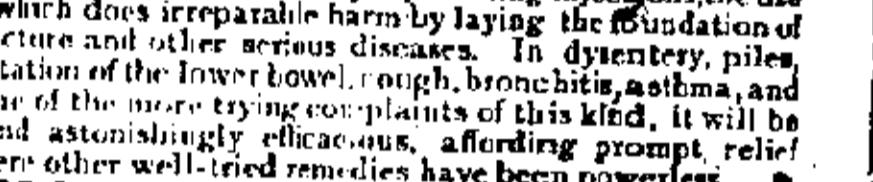
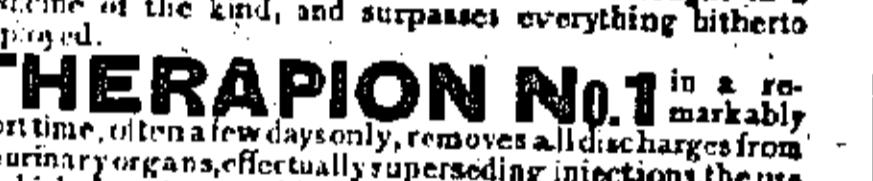
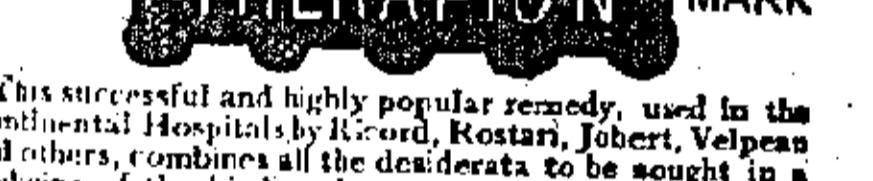
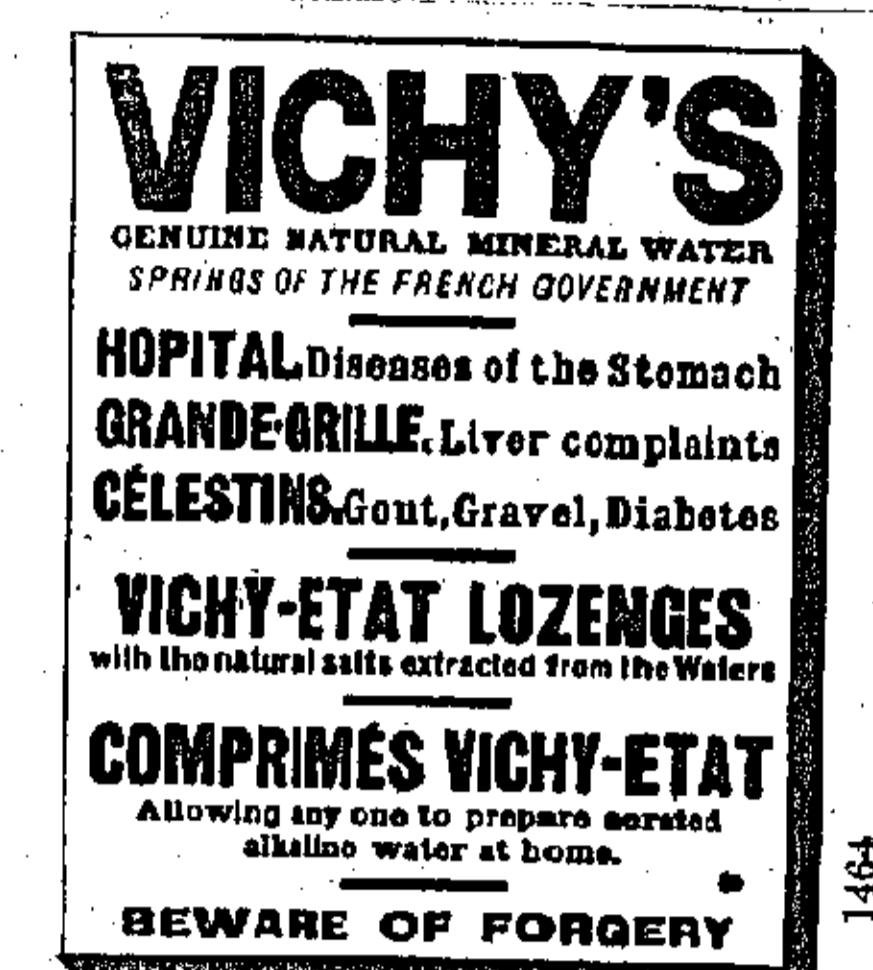
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ANGLO-GERMAN BREWERY CO., LTD.

At the third annual general meeting of the Company, held at Shanghai on Feb. 26th, Mr. A. McLeod (Chairman) said—The report and accounts for the past year have been in your hands for some days and you will no doubt agree to take them as read. Before asking you to pass them I shall be pleased to make a few remarks in reference to the working of the Company during the twelve months ending December 31, 1906. In this, I will, I hope, be considered satisfactory that the sales of our beer show a considerable increase on those of the previous year and that there have been no complaints about its quality, even in the hottest summer months, when beer is apt to deteriorate. This is evidence that the new brewing master has fully justified the confidence that the Directors and managers placed in him when engaging his services. Encouraged by the success which the brew of Tsingtao dark beer, under the name of Book Beer, met with when placed on the market in 1906, the Company continued this special brew, which has been so eagerly purchased by consumers that it has been at times difficult to keep up with the demand. The excellence of the Company's beer has been officially recognized at the Munich Brewery Exhibition held last year, where the Company received the highest prize awarded, namely the gold medal and diploma. The popularity of the Germania Brewery's various descriptions of beer is now assured in all markets in China and Siberia. The new cellar has been completed and it is hoped that the necessary extension of the refrigerating plant will be ready for use at the beginning of the summ'r. One half of the cellars have been stocked with additional worts, so that the Company is now in a position to cope with a much larger demand than was formerly the case. As stated in last year's report, the Victoria Brewery, owing to the high cost of cold storage, coupled with the fact that the plant was a very primitive one, has been far from a success and has had to be liquidated. The account has now been closed, resulting unfortunately in a final loss of \$12,201.49. The Directors were only able to dispose of the machinery and plant that would not be utilized at the Germania Brewery, Tsingtao, for a nominal sum, and as payment of a heavy allowance had to be made to the Shanghai Ice Company for cancelling the lease of their cold storage accommodation, the loss upon this unfortunate venture has been very considerable. The Directors have, however, thought it desirable to meet the loss at once and you will notice from the Report that it is recommended that the entire amount should be written off out of this year's earnings. It is much to be regretted that the shareholders and the public have not responded more liberally to the endeavour of the Directors to place the additional one thousand shares authorized to be issued at the last annual meeting. They do not, however, attribute this result to any want of confidence in the undertaking, but rather to the position of the share market generally during the last year, when owing to the abnormally high rates of exchange ruling, investors have preferred to place money in gold rather than in silver securities. You will observe from the accounts now presented that, including \$1,066.95 brought forward from 1905 account, the Profit and Loss Account shows a credit balance of \$50,423.41, or just about twelve per cent on the capital of the Company, and had it been for the loss upon the liquidation of the Victoria Brewery, to which allusion has already been made, an increased dividend would have been possible. The Directors now recommend that the available balance of \$50,423.41, should be appropriated as follows—Write off machinery and casks, \$7,000 total loss on Victoria Brewery to be written off, \$12,201.49; to pay a dividend of 7 per cent to shareholders, \$30,915.25; and to carry forward to 1907 account \$906.67.

and a-half million taels in value. Before moving the resolution to pass the report and accounts I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions that any shareholders may care to ask.

There being no questions the following resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Young: that the report and accounts as presented be passed.

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld: that a dividend of Tls. 8 per share be declared for the year ending December 31, 1906.

Proposed by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Murphy: that Messrs. Young and Chang Liang-yu be appointed directors of the company.

Proposed by Mr. Mooser, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld: that Mr. G. R. Wingrove be re-elected the company's auditor for the current year.

Proposed by the Chairman (who explained that it was a necessary formality), seconded by Mr. Young: that the next general meeting be held during either the month of February or March 1907.

The chairman—Before adjourning the meeting, gentlemen, I have to inform you that the Board, in view of the steady advance in the market value of your shares, decided early in the year to offer to shareholders the balance of our unissued capital, viz., \$12 shares at par in proportion of one share in every nine as held by shareholders on March 1, 1907, being allowed to shareholders resident in Europe or America. The Board have every hope that this extra capital will be taken up, which will place the company on a thoroughly sound working basis and enable us, I hope, considerably to reduce our usual charge for interest. With these few remarks, gentlemen, I have to thank you for your attendance here this afternoon and in closing have to inform you that dividend warrants will be posted at once.

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ARRIVALS.

DAMY, Norwegian str., from Canton.
DUCIE, Norwegian str., 1,002 Tms Baiz, 5th March—Bangkok 23rd Feb., General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
HESANG, British str., 1,350, J. M. Bay, 4th March—Java, Java, 22nd February, Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
KOREA, American str., 5,651, S. Stenberg, 5th March—San Francisco 5th Feb., General.
LUD, Sork, German str., 1,020, P. Schulz, 1st March—Swatow 4th March, General.—Order.
LOMORO, British str., 1,092, A. G. Smith, 4th March—Manila 1st March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
RUM, British str., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 4th March—Manila 2nd March, General.—Shawson, Tomes & Co.
TENGANG, British str., from Canton.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
March 5th.
Dukohat, British str., for San Francisco.
Hew, Norwegian str., for Bangkok.
Sado Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.
Tingang, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

MARCH 5TH.
AUSTRALIEN, French str., for Europe.
ERNEST SIMONS, French str., for Shanghai.
GENEVE, British str., for Amoy.
HAMBURG, German str., for Shanghai.
HUCHING, British str., for Swatow.
HONGKONG MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.
KANJO MARU, Japanese str., for Canton.
SHINANO MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.
ZEECHURN, British str., for Saigon.
TRAN, British str., for Manila.
YUCHOW, British str., for Shanghai.
YONKEYAMA MARU, Japanese str., for Saigon.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

March 5th.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
KOWLOON DOCKS.—Sorogon, Frimde, Z. Y. de Aldecoa, Kromchon, Emerande, Saphir, Prins Sigismund, Wangkai, Tjialajap, Rubi, Polux, Knivesberg.
COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.—Peng Fei.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
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STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,
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THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR
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AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"DELHI," Captain J. D. Andrews, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this port on SATURDAY, the 9th March, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's steamer "KARMA," 10,500 tons, from Colombo, passenger accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Hongkong by the R.M.S. "CALEDONIA," in London on 20th April, 1907.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 25th February, 1907.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING," Captain A. E. Gentles, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 9th inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight, apply to

DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD., Agents,

Hongkong, 27th March, 1907.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(Florio and Rubattino United Companies)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.
Having connection with Company's Mail Steamer to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.
Taking cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMEIDA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship
"ISCHIA," Captain Dodero, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., at NOON.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents,

Hongkong, 4th March, 1907.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, AUSTRALIA, A.D.B.N., E.G.Y.P.T., MARSEILLES, HAVERE, COOPEN, HAGEN and ST. PETERSBURG; RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD., ST. PETERSBURG & VLADIVOSTOCK.

"TONKIN,"

Captain Charbonnel, will be despatched from MARSEILLES, on TUESDAY, the 19th March, at 1 p.m.

Passage tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above port for Australia with prompt transhipment at Colombo.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Note: sailings will be as follows:

S.S. "ERNEST SIMONS" ... 2nd April.
S.S. "POLYNESIEN" ... 16th April.
S.S. "VILLE DE LA CIOTAT" ... 20th April.
S.S. "SALAZIE" ... 14th May.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." nearest Hongkong "h." midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m." and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTION.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Pof.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & BIG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DISPATCHED
LONDON &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	BRITISH	BRIT. STR.	—	J. D. Andrews	P. O. S. N. CO.	On 9th inst., at Noon.
MARSEILLES &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	FRANCE	FRAN. STR.	—	Charbonnel	MESSAGES MARITIMES	On 19th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVERE, COOPEN, &c.	FRANCE	FRAN. STR.	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 12th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVERE & HAMBURG	FRANCE	FRAN. STR.	k.w.	Winnenberg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 22nd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	FRANCE	FRAN. STR.	—	F. E. Andrews	P. O. S. N. CO.	About 27th inst.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	GERMANY	GER. STR.	—	Ch. Polack	MELCHERS & CO.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
HAVERE, BERMUDA VIA STRAITS, &c.	GERMANY	GER. STR.	k.w.	Russ	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 21st inst.
HAVERE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	GERMANY	GER. STR.	k.w.	Schuhle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 19th April.
NAPLES, IJSION, HAVERE & HAMBURG	ITALY	ITAL. STR.	k.w.	Döhren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 16th inst.
NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVERE & HAMBURG	ITALY	ITAL. STR.	k.w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 5th April.
NEW YORK	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 3rd May.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS OF SUEZ CANAL	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	2 m.	—	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	About 12th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	1 m.	—	SHewan, Tomes & Co.	About 12th April.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 14th inst., at 4 P.M.
TARBAR	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	DODWELL & CO. LTD.	On 15th April.
LYBA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 26th inst., at Noon.
GLENFARG	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	H. C. Armstrong	CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO.	On 25th inst.
MARIE	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	Hollman	CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO.	On 26th inst., at Noon.
WOOLWICH	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	A. Stoker	ENG HOK FONG & CO.	On 25th inst.
Woolwich	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	C. Lindbergh	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 28th inst.
CHITUNG	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	Ienz	MELCHERS & CO.	On 23th inst., at Noon.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	G. W. Babot	WATERHOUSE & CO.	About 9th inst.
CYLVON	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	G. Wendig	MELCHERS & CO.	On 22th inst.
SANDAKAN	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	L. Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 18th inst.
CHANGSHA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
TIPIANAS	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	H. A. Hards	MELCHERS & CO.	About 2nd May.
DOROTHY	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow at Daylight.
KWEILIN	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	G. S. Weigall	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 10th inst.
TUNGUS	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	J. Warwick	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow at Daylight.
CHIANG	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	A. E. Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
CHIANG	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	About 7th inst.
SHANGHAI	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	R. A. Peters	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 8th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	P. O. S. N. CO.	On 13th inst.	
SHANGHAI	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	MELCHERS & CO.	On 16th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	Wavell	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 14th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	H. S. Smith	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	On 10th inst., Daylight.
TAMSI	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	Bedy	CHINA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 10th inst., Daylight.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	J. S. Roach	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 8th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, ANG & FOOCHEW	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	Douglas Lapak & Co.	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.	
SWATOW, CHEFOO & TIENSIN	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	F. Mooney	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	R. Almond	SHewan, Tomes & Co.	On 9th inst., at Noon.
MANILA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	R. Rodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 16th inst., at Noon.
CEBU & ILICOLO	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	E. Finlayson	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 19th inst., at 4 P.M.
SANDAKAN	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	R. Houghton	DAVID SASSON & CO., LTD.	On 8th inst., at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE & SOUTHABAYA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	W. E. Sawyer	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 9th inst., at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	UNITED STATES	UNITED STATES	—	—	—	On 12th inst., at Noon.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
* SINGAPORE & SOUTRA BAYA	FOOKSANG ... Wed'day, 6th Mar., 3 P.M.
* TIENSIN VIA SWATOW & CHEFOO	CHIPISSHING ... Thursday, 7th Mar., daylight
TIENSIN VIA SWATOW	CHOYSANG ... Thursday, 7th Mar., daylight
* SANDAKAN	MAUSANG ... Friday, 8th Mar., 4 P.M.
* MANILA	YUENSANG ... Friday, 8th Mar., 4 P.M.

* There Steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

† Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang and Yangtze.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.</p

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	{ MALTA Capt. R. A. Peters	About 8th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS	DELHI Capt. J. D. Andrews	Noon, 9th March	See Special Advertisement.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	GEYLON Capt. G. W. Babot	About 9th March	Freight and Passage.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & MANILA	ANTWERP Capt. F. E. Andrews	About 27th March	Freight and Passage.

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1907.

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CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"NINGPO"	On 6th Mar., 4 P.M.
TSINGTAO and CHEFOO PORT	"KWEILIN"	On 7th Mar., daylight
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND,	"TSINAN"	On 8th Mar., 4 P.M.
COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE,		
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"HUICHOW"	On 9th Mar., 4 P.M.
SWATOW, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"NANCHANG"	On 9th Mar., 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"KIUKIANG"	On 14th Mar., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHANGSHA"	On 18th Mar., 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"KAIFONG"	On 19th Mar., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO		

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

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FOR	THE CO'S S.S.	LEAVING
* TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	{"JOSHIN MARU"} Capl. H. S. Smith	SUNDAY, 10th Mar., at DAYLIGHT.

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Hongkong, 6th March, 1907.

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Tons	LEAVE HONGKONG	ARRIVE VANCOUVER	
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,000	... THURSDAY, 14th Mar.	... 1st April	
"TARTAR" 4,495	... WEDNESDAY, 27th Mar.	... 29th April	
"EMPERESS OF CHINA" 6,000	... THURSDAY, 11th April	... 29th April	
"ATHENIAN" 3,682	... WEDNESDAY, 1st May	... 25th May	
"EMPERESS OF INDIA" 6,000	... THURSDAY, 2nd May	... 27th May	
"MONTEAGLE" 6,163	... WEDNESDAY, 22nd May	... 15th June	

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STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
PRINZ ALICE	WEDNESDAY 13th March
PRINZ LUDWIG	WEDNESDAY 27th March
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 27th March
Zieten	WEDNESDAY 10th April
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 24th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 8th May
BA YERN	WEDNESDAY 22nd May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 5th June
SCHAENHURST	WEDNESDAY 10th June
ROON	WEDNESDAY 3rd July

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return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0

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return	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0

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return	64 0 0	44 0 0	26 0 0
return	115 0 0	79 0 0	47 0 0

VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON

return	68 0 0	46 0 0	27 0 0
return	123 0 0	83 0 0	49 0 0

* In the event of the passenger leaving

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Malta*, with the English mail of the 8th inst., left Singapore on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 6 p.m. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 8th January, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the night of 30th January, and for despatch overland on the early morning of the 8th February.

WORK	P.D.R.	D.A.T.
Bangkok	Wednesday, 6th	9.00 A.M.
Koto, Yokohama and San Francisco	Wednesday, 6th	10.00 A.M.
Macao	Wednesday, 6th	1.15 P.M.
Singapore and Sowebay	Wednesday, 6th	2.00 P.M.
Swatow and Hangchow	Wednesday, 6th	3.00 P.M.
Amoy, Singapore and Bangkok	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Choofoo	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Chefoo and Tientsin	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Amoy	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Macao, Kobe and Yokohama	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy, and Pooshow	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Manila	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Malaya, Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Sandakan	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Hollow, Singapore and Bangkok	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Manila	Wednesday, 6th	5.00 P.M.
Tsinan	Friday, 8th	3.00 P.M.
Looenk	Friday, 8th	5.00 P.M.
Rubi	Saturday, 9th	10.00 A.M.

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COMPANY.	Paid Up.	Quotation.
Alibambu	\$200	\$120.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shai.	\$125	\$60, sales & sel.
National B. of China	\$10	100, x.d. 10. x.d.
Bell's Abbot's Al. 12s. 6d.	6d	57, sellers
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$9, sellers
China Provident	\$10	\$8.00, buyers
Cotton Mills—		
Hongkong	Pls. 50	Pls. 75.
International	Pls. 75	Pls. 65.
Lau Kung Mow	Pls. 100	Pls. 124, x.d.
Soyhoe	Pls. 500	Pls. 420.
Dairy Farm—		
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$93, sales
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$92, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$61	\$12.
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ltd.	Pls. 100	Pls. 107.
Shai & H. Wharf	\$100	Pls. 235, x.d. issue.
Shai & H. Wharf	\$100	Pls. 225, n. issue
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$21, sellers
Green Island Cement	\$10	\$10, x.d. sellers
Hongkong & G. Gas.	\$10	\$16, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$16.00, sales
H. L. Transport	\$100	\$25.
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	\$25, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$20, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$10	\$21, sales & buy.
H'kong S. Waterbot.	\$10	\$14, sellers
Insurance—		
Canion	\$50	\$25, sellers
China Fire	\$20	\$98, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$10.
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$85, sellers
North China	\$25	\$18.00.
Union	\$100	\$820, buyers
Yangtze	\$60	\$1674.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv.	\$100	\$107, buyers
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$1126, sellers
Kowloon Land & B.	\$30	\$874, buyers
Shanghai Land	Pls. 100	Pls. 102, x.d.
WeedPoint Building	\$60	Pls. 64, new issue.
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fr. 250	\$450, nominal
Baubs	18/10	\$8.15, sales
Philippines Co.	\$10	\$5.
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$124, sellers
Laxum Sugar	\$100	\$21, sellers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manilla	\$25	\$20, sellers
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$20, sellers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	\$10.
Indo-China S. N. C.	\$10	\$86, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	\$1	39, buyers
Star Ferry	\$10	\$30.
Do. New	\$5	\$20.
South China M. Post	\$25	\$25.
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$45, sales
Stores & Dispensaries	\$10	\$30, sellers
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$74, buyers
Watkins	\$10	\$22.50, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	\$12, buyers
United asbestos	\$4	\$10, buyers
Do. Founders	\$10	\$150.
VERNON & SMYTH.		

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.		
From March 6th to 12th, 1907. To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.		
HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.		
Hongkong Mean Tide, Height Hongkong Mean Tide, Height		
Tides		
Wed. 6 m 1 27	5 3	h. m. 1 28
Thur. 7 m 2 30	5 9	2 28
Fri. 8 m 3 33	6 5	3 29
Sat. 9 m 4 36	7 1	4 30
Sun. 10 m 5 39	7 8	5 31
Mon. 11 m 6 42	8 5	6 32
Tues. 12 m 7 45	9 2	7 33

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.		
Hongkong Observatory, March 5th.		
Previous Day On Date On Date 1 p.m. 4 p.m. 4 p.m.		
Barometer ... 30.22 30.44 30.31		
Temperature ... 66 51 60		
Humidity ... 34 23 44		
Wind Direction NNE N E		
Force ... 2 3 3		
Weather ... b b c		
Rain ...		

Highest open air Temperature on 4th 68
Lowest open air Temperature on 4th 54



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ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Feb. 27—Pine Street. March 2nd—St. Patrick, Ardrossie. 5th—Nubia.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.		
ARON	British str.	2,759. Robert, 3rd March — Port Kembla 7th Feb. Coal. Order.
ANARA	British str.	1,556. C. J. Mattcock, 26th Feb.—Saigon 20th Feb., Rice & Matheson & Co.
CHIFFING	British str.	1,199. M. Flockell 24th Feb.—Saigon 18th Feb., Rice & Matheson & Co.
CHOWTAI	German str.	1,115. W. M. Mollermann, 14th Feb.—Hongkong 4th Feb., Rice and Wool—Butterfield & Swire.
CHOYSANG	British str.	1,424. A. E. Sandbach, 2nd March—Shanghai via Swatow 26th Feb. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
DAIYA	Japanese str.	1,735. N. Akawa, 27th February—Maji 21st Feb., Coal—Mitsui Busen Kaishi.
DAKTON	British str.	2,593. W. A. Ross, 17th February—San Francisco 15th January, Kerosene Oil—Standard Oil Co.
DAPHNE	German str.	1,254. E. Schipper, 1st March—Saigon 25th February, Rice—Hamburg-American Line.
DEVAWONSE	German steamer.	1,057. Bunoe, 25th Feb.—Keochang 16th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.
DRUMGEITH	British str.	2,472. James Farmer, 23rd Feb.—Cardiff 12th February, Coal—Order.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN	British str.	3,039. H. Pythons, 13th Feb.—Vancouver & Shanghai 11th Feb., Mail & General—C. P. R. Co.
FOOKSANG	British str.	1,987. W. E. Sawyer, 24th Feb.—Calcutta 10th Feb., Coals—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
FUKUSHU MARU	Japanese str.	1,000. T. Ito, 2nd March—Aiping and Swatow 28th Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
HARTAN	British str.	1,183. T. S. Roach, 24th February—Coast Ports 23rd Feb., General—Douglas Laughton & Co.
HONG BRE	British str.	2,565. Peters, 4th Mar.—Samara and Singapore 21st Feb., Sugar—Chinese.
HUNCHOW	British str.	1,917. E. Forsyth, 27th Feb.—Saigon 22nd Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
KIYOU MARU	Japanese str.	1,448. S. Hirai, 3rd March—Saigon 25th Feb., Rice.
KNIVESH	German str.	646. S. Turgeson, 2nd March—Kuang-chou was 1st March, Ballast—Hokkaido & Co.
KOON MARU	Japanese str.	346. T. Okuma, 1st March—Maji 23rd Feb., Coal—Fukusui Kaisha.
LIGHTNING	British str.	2,122. R. Pentle, 3rd March—Calcutta and Straits 14th Feb., General—D. Sasse & Co.
LOONGSONG	British str.	1,092. A. G. Smith, 18th Feb.—Manila 15th Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MACHIEAN	German str.	996. R. Zoll, or 3rd March—Bangkok 18th February, Rice and Tea—Butterfield & Swire.
MAUSANG	British str.	1,644. R. Houghton 26th February—Sandakan 20th February General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MARIBATA	American str.	721. John A. R. Cushing, 2nd March—Singapore 14th February, General.
MASAMARU	Japanese str.	702. J. Sakurai, 27th Feb.—Tamsui 24th Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
MERCERIDES	British transport	2,490. J. S. McGregor, 29th Jan.—Singapore 22nd Jan., Coal—Admiralty.
MICHAEL	British str.	1,644. R. Houghton 26th February—Sandakan 20th February General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MISAKI	Japanese str.	702. T. Sakurai, 27th Feb.—Tamsui 24th Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
MISSES	British str.	1,644. R. Houghton 26th Feb.—Sandakan 20th February General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MIZUBA	British str.	1,644. R. Houghton 26th Feb.—Sandakan 20th February General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MIZUNO	British str.	1,644. R. Houghton 26th Feb.—Sandakan 20th February General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
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